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Huntsman Appoints Communications Director and Legislative Liaison/Constituent Affairs Personnel

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—Governor-elect Jon Huntsman, Jr. today named Tammy Kikuchi as his Communications Director and Michael Mower to lead the governor's Legislative Liaison/Constituent Affairs efforts.

"Tammy and Mike both have great backgrounds of private and public service experience that will serve our new administration well," Huntsman said.

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Note: See attached bios and photos. Jason Chaffetz will continue to serve as the prime media contact for Governor-elect Huntsman until the Inauguration.

TAMMY KIKUCHI

Tammy Kikuchi is a native of Utah. She grew up in Murray, attended Murray High School and graduated from the University of Utah with a BS in Broadcast Journalism. While completing her degree, she began working at KSL Radio, and continued with KSL Radio and Television for 12 years as an award winning reporter and anchor.

In 1993, Tammy was hired as Vice President Marketing and Communications at The Economic Development Corporation of Utah, a private, statewide, non-profit company. For six years, her task involved improving the image of Utah by encouraging national and international publications to publish stories about the state's bustling economy and the successful efforts to attract new companies to the area and expand those already here.

Tammy was named Director of Community and Government Relations at West Valley City in 2000. As part of the executive staff, she assisted the City in its plans to host the ice hockey events during the 2002 Olympic Winter Games at the E Center. She also worked to help the area promote its positive attributes.

Most recently, Tammy was named Executive Director of The First Tee of Salt Lake City, a non-profit organization which is dedicated to improving the lives of the children of Utah through the game of golf.

Tammy has been active on many community, social and church-related boards and committees. She is married with one child. Her hobbies include golfing, skiing and fitness activities.

MICHAEL MOWER

Michael Mower is the Director of Community and Government Relations for Provo City, a position he has held since 2000.

Michael was raised in Ferron, Utah and graduated from Emery County High School. He received his undergraduate degree from Brigham Young University and a juris doctor degree from the University of Utah College of Law.

He has served as the Senior Staff Attorney at the Legal Aid Society of Salt Lake and as President of the Young Lawyers Division of the Utah State Bar. Mower was the campaign manager of Chris Cannon's successful congressional bid in 1994 and later was Congressman Cannon's first District Director. Mower was also employed as the media spokesperson and government affairs coordinator for Wasatch Constructors during the

rebuilding of I-15 in Salt Lake County. Immediately prior to his move to Provo City, Mower served as the Communications Director for Governor Mike Leavitt's successful reelection campaign in 2000.

Mower is married to (the late) Sheri Mower. They are the parents of four children. # # #